

FIVE WORKMEN BURIED IN FIFTH AVENUE.

One Was Killed, Two Dangerously Injured, Two Extricated Themselves.

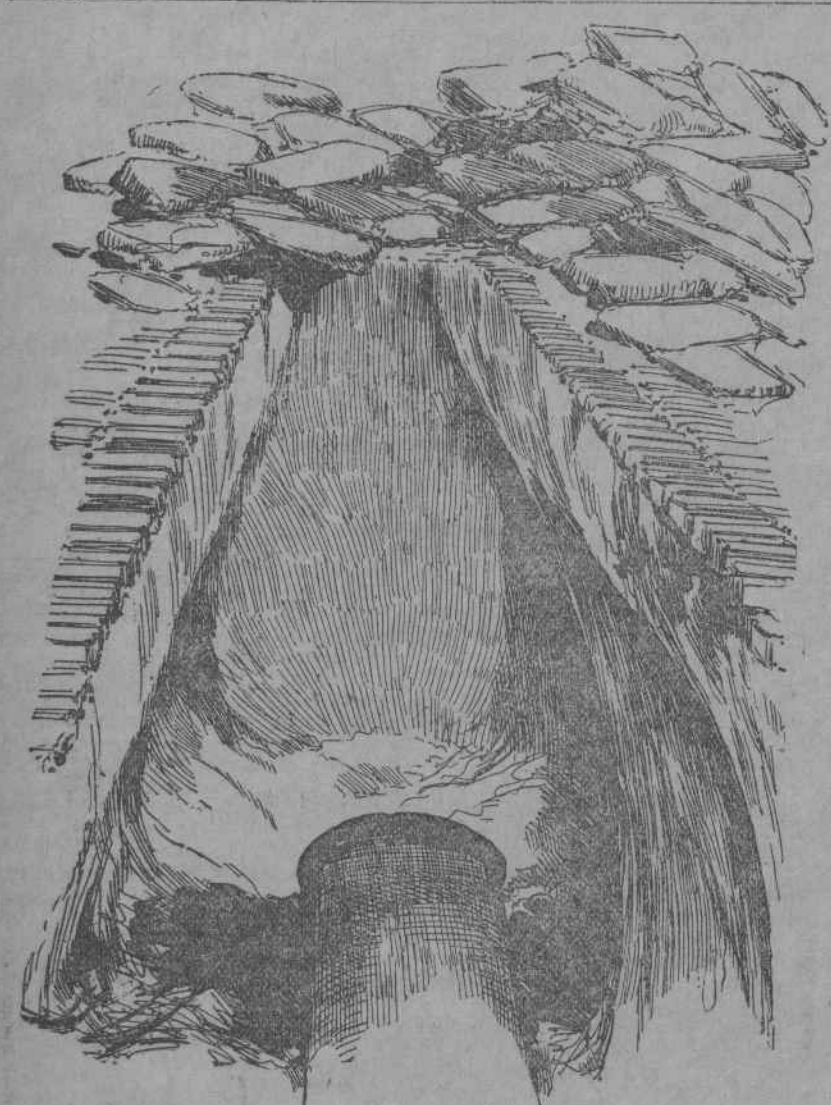
John Quinn, Suffering Intensely, Directed His Fellows How to Dig Him Out.

The Ground Caved in from the Sides of the Trench for the New, Big Water Mains.

GROUND SHAKEN BY A HOISTING ENGINE

Excavation Was Not Braced Until After the Accident—Louis Simon, a Foreman, Held in \$1,000 Bail by the Coroner.

The sides of the excavation, in which the 48-inch water mains are being laid in Fifth Avenue, caved in just above Forty-fourth street, in front of No. 535 Fifth avenue,



Trench That Caved In on Fifth Avenue.

As will be seen by the illustration, no planks were used to prevent the dirt from falling into the excavation. The workmen dug into the bank on both sides and the constant throb of the engine used to lift out the dirt caused the mass to become loosened and fall into the hole. One man was killed and two were seriously injured.

Yesterday morning, five men were buried. One was instantly killed and two were dangerously injured.

Killed.
QUINN, PATRICK, thirty years old; single; lived at No. 528 Seventh-street.

Injured.
NOONAN, JOHN, thirty-one years old; married; No. 220 East Seventy-first street; internal injuries and fracture of right leg; may be fatally hurt.

MURPHY, ANDREW, thirty-five years old; No. 220 East Sixty-fifth street; internal injuries. Fifteen men of the "dirt gang" were in the deep ditch when the accident occurred. They were ten feet down, and, of course, were digging deeper and deeper. As they shoveled away the dirt they loosened blocks of various sizes, and these were lifted out by a crane worked by an engine and dropped in a pile beside the excavation.

The heavy engine rested on a platform of planks across the trench. As it puffed and rattled the earth shook, and little showers of dirt and pebbles ran down the sides of the excavation, which were not then braced or shored. Some of the men digging there said, afterward, they felt the ground tremble around them, but they gave no warning.

The engine had just hoisted and dropped a boulder weighing half a ton when the earth fell from under the engine platform and for a distance of twelve yards around. The pavement held like a shell and supported the engine's weight, but from both sides of the excavation, principally from the west, earth and stones slid in, covering five workmen.

There was a shout, and those who found themselves free ran back a few yards. Then they hurried back to dig out their fellows. Two of the five struggled through the thin covering that fell on them and were unhurt. The trench was too narrow for many to dig at a time, but one succeeded another, and all worked, as they never worked before. Quinn, whose thighs were frightfully crushed, was dug out dead. Noonan's face was visible just above the earth. He was suffering great pain, but he directed those digging.

"Dig to the right," he said; "get the dirt away from there." It was fifteen minutes before Noonan and Reilly were extricated. They were taken to the Flower Hospital. Louis Simon and Michael Murphy, foremen over the work, were arrested and taken to the Yorkville Police Court. Murphy was discharged. Simon was turned over to Coroner Fitzpatrick, who held him in \$1,000 bail, which was furnished by Matthew Baird, contractor for the work. The excavation was braced after the accident.

TYNAN TO BE RELEASED.

The French Government Will Set Him at Liberty After the Fetes in Honor of the Czar.

By Julian Ralph.

London, Sept. 28.—Authoritative advices from Paris are to the effect that Tynan will be released immediately after the Czar's departure from French soil.

Minister Buisson has done his best, but the decision postpone his release is deemed inevitable.

ONE GIANT IN THE TOILS.

Jim Stafford Makes a Hit That Will Carry Him Over the Home Plate Amid Cheers.

At the residence of the parents of the bride, No. 130 Union street, Highbridge, Wednesday evening, October 7, will occur the ceremony that will make Miss Mattie Hughes Mrs. James Stafford.

James Stafford is better known to the public of New York and the rest of the United States as "Jim" Stafford, a member of the Giants. He has made strenuous efforts to keep the news of his approaching marriage from everybody, and might have succeeded, for he is the most bashful and reticent of men in the profession, with the possible exception of Dummy Hoy—who he is not in an indirect moment told about it to "Dad" Clarke.

"Dad" Clarke has blazoned the news from the top of the grand stand at the Polo Grounds. To hear of Jim Stafford getting into matrimonial harness is a sort of a baseball surprise party. Reputable men are willing to swear that Jim speaks only once a month, and that is when he draws his salary. He wears a perpetual blush and an air of apology for being alive. How he could ever secure up courage enough to propose to a handsome girl like Miss Hughes is one of the new wonders of the world. Dad Clarke has an explanation of it.

"Jim went to bat on this play three years ago," said Dad to a crowd of ball players Sunday. "He met the young lady at a social game in Harlem and confessed to himself that she made a hit with him. Now, if anybody else would have gone right to work to win the girl and we'd have had the ninth inning played long before this time, but Jim plays a can-

THRONGS TO HEAR BRYAN TO-NIGHT.

Will Speak to Three Crowds at Tammany's Big Meeting.

Grandest Demonstration in His Honor Since the Nomination Was Made.

Speeches in Many Languages from Ten Different Stands Near the Wigwam.

MORE THAN SIXTY ORATORS TO BE HEARD

Sewall, Too, Will Be Present—All Hoping for Good Weather—Perfect Police Preparations for Taking Care of Crowds.

TO THE PUBLIC:

The Democratic General Committee of the City of New York cordially extends an invitation to all organizations favorable to the election of Bryan and Sewall, and to all citizens of New York who favor the movement, and who are opposed to monopolies and trusts of all descriptions, to attend the great mass meeting to be held in and around Tammany Hall and Union square on Tuesday evening, September 29, at 7:30 o'clock, to ratify the nomination of the Democratic candidates—WILLIAM J. BRYAN, for President, and ARTHUR SEWALL, for Vice-President.

All the arrangements for Tammany Hall's big demonstration to-night are complete, and the leaders are praying only that the weather will be favorable. If it is they promise one of the greatest demonstrations, as far as enthusiasm and the number of persons assembled, that this city has ever seen.

Throughout yesterday carpenters were at work on the ten stands from which speeches are to be made, and they will be completed and decorated with flags and bunting to-day. They are substantial structures, capable of holding a big crowd, and standing the pressure of the immense throngs by which they will be surrounded.

When Mr. Bryan and Mr. Sewall reach the hall, under the escort of the committee, which will wait on them at the Barthold Hotel, they will be taken to the stage. After a short speech from John W. Keller, who is to preside, Secretary John P. McGoldrick will read the resolutions.

Then Bryan Will Speak.

Then Mr. Bryan will be presented and make the speech of the evening. When he finishes Mr. Sewall will be introduced, but, as he has asked to be excused from making a speech, it is not likely that he will say more than a few words. The candidates will then be escorted from the hall, but those who remain will be treated to speeches from J. S. C. Blackburn, of Kentucky, and George Fred Williams, of Massachusetts.

It is probable that as Mr. Bryan leaves the hall he will be asked to say some words to the throngs massed on Fourteenth street. If so, he will speak from the stand in front of the hall and nearest Third avenue. Thence he will be driven escorted by the committee, to the stand in the plaza of Union Square, where the labor organizations will assemble. At the stand John N. Bogert, the State organizer for the Federation of Labor, will preside.

The plan, as at present outlined, is to have Candidate Bryan speak from three sides of this stand, as otherwise only those immediately in front of him could hear him. He will be followed here, as in the hall, by Mr. Blackburn and these representatives.

"It was all right when we were playing at home, but as soon as we got on the road we noticed there was something the matter with Jim. He was and all the time. One day Amos Rusie tried to eat soup with a sponge in a hotel out in Louisville, and Jim never even smiled. I knew there was something the matter with him, and I braced him about it. He told me he was in love."

"If she calls strikes on you," I says to Jim, "show her that you can't be bluff. You can make lots of base hits in this courtship game," I told him, "by blowing yourself once in a while for candy and flowers, but you've got to forget the grand stand and play ball from start to finish."

"I took Jim two years to make that home run. I kept jollying him about it all the time, but he said he hadn't the nerve to propose."

"I believe he did it by letter when he was in the hospital. Any how, he did it, because she's the rolling lady at a game the other day, and she had a spark on the third finger of her left hand that dazzled the outfield."

The decorations were very fine and were in green and yellow, comprising chiefly palms and roses. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served.

The President and Mrs. Cleveland, who are personal friends of the Jeffersons, were present in their carriage from Gray Gables a few minutes before the wedding and remained but a short time after the ceremony. They recognized some of their friends present and were introduced to others and conversed quite freely with all, after which they were again driven to their home.

Mrs. Cleveland's gown was an exceedingly handsome one, being of rich violet silk trimmed with cream lace.

Saved.
With a detonation like the discharge of a pistol the massive cable parted, and the huge barge-proof safe shot downward from the sixteenth story, swifter, swifter, in obedience to the laws of gravitation.

A dignified, elderly gentleman stood beneath unmoved. The heart of every onlooker was chilled. With a gleam in his eye the elderly gentleman took one step forward, just as the hissing metal mass crashed through the pavement. He had stepped toward an adjacent news stand to buy a copy of the Evening Journal.

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scarcities of the labor organizations: John C. Maher, for the coach drivers; Edward King, for the type foundry; Robert M. Campbell and Owen J. Kinnison, for the printers; Charles W. Hendrickson, the electricians; Matthew Barr, for the tinmiths; Charles Campbell, for the seamstresses; James Manning, for the plasterers; William H. Farley, for the millwrights; William Ellis, for the clerks; C. H. Cook, for the bookkeepers; Frankella Quinby, for the news readers; and John Phillips, for the haters.

To Speak in Union Square.

The next stand Mr. Bryan will visit will be that at the southern end of Union Square, near the statue of Washington. Here Joseph Blumenthal will preside, and after Mr. Bryan finishes, these orators will make addresses: Congressman Bouten T. McMillan, of Tennessee; David Callahan, of Connecticut; Louis W. Pratt, of Albany; C. W. L. of New York; Louis G. Mumford, of New York; H. W. Unger, Albert Bach, Edward Browne, James J. Fitzgerald, F. L. Eckerson and P. H. Hunt. This is all probability, will end Mr. Bryan's speaking for the evening, and he and Mr. Sewall will be escorted by the committee back to the Barthold Hotel. But the committee on arrangements has provided ample entertainment for the people, and well as the speakers will discuss the issues of the campaign from other stands.

Stand No. 1, which will be in Fourteenth street, at the east side of Tammany Hall, Victor J. Dowling will preside, and among the speakers scheduled are: L. E. Livingston, of Georgia; John D. McMahon, of Rome; Amos J. Cummings, A. R. Crinkshaw, S. S. Blake, George W. Althoff, Benjamin T. Spelman, Marcus R. Mayer, C. D. L. Allen and Marcus H. Mayer.

Civil Justice Sittler will preside at stand No. 2, which is on the west side of Tammany Hall, and there will be heard: I. S. Williams, of Mississippi; James E. Ridgway, of Brooklyn; William D. Daly, of New Jersey; William McEl. Spear, Thomas Gilman, S. S. Blake, Fred L. Taylor, Charles E. Connor, John T. McGovern and William S. Gold.

The stand where the German Democrats will assemble will be in front of No. 120 East Fourteenth street, and it will be presided over by William E. Grady, who was elected president of the recently organized German Democracy. Among the speakers at this stand will be William Sulzer, James Lindsay Gordon, William Hopburn Russell, Henry B. Von Trout, Benjamin Patterson, Thomas Garrett Pennell, Terry Smith, Ferdinand Levy and Thomas C. Whitlock.

Others Who Will Speak.

From the stand in front of No. 110 East Fourteenth street ex-Senator Charles C. O'Sullivan, L. W. Redding, Edward T. Tallaferra, John Quincy Adams, G. M. Curtis, James W. O'Brien, John I. Prince, Charles E. Brown, Cornelius Donovan and M. Sheehan will be heard.

A. Zucca will have charge of the Italian stand, at Irving place and Fifteenth street, and there will be heard: I. Tuck, V. L. Zora and others will make addresses. There will be several other stands in the park, where well-known speakers will be heard.

The police arrangements for the handling of the crowds are admirable. Inspector Brooke will be in charge in Fourteenth street and Inspector O'Keefe will see that order is maintained at Union square.

Among the letters received at Tammany Hall yesterday was the following from Mrs. H. Stone, of Bay Ridge:

Two old friends and here comes William Jennings Bryan's nomination (though not on the committee) would seem to me a high honor if you could secure for me two tickets for the great meeting in Tammany Hall Tuesday, September 29. Please don't think me presuming. You are probably aware it is an easy matter for a lady to receive courtesies, which seem only reserved for the young and beautiful. I am a widow myself, and an old-fashioned soldier, as well as daughter of an old-fashioned, honorable Democrat, and the wife of a school teacher. Recognizing the same in our great champion, of the cause to-day, William Jennings Bryan, God bless him I will be with our cause.

Had to Refuse.

Much as Mr. Sheehan would have liked to grant this request, he was forced to reply that there were no tickets, but that if Mrs. Stone would be at the hall at 6:30 o'clock to-night, when all ladies are requested to be present, he would find good seats for her in the gallery.

THEY KILLED 50 SNAKES

Four Young Men Walk Right into a Big Colony of the Reptiles and a Desperate Battle Follows.

Hackensack, N. J., Sept. 28.—Frank Switz, Fred Greber, Charles Kinley and Joseph Weinitz, four young men of this town, were given a bad fright this afternoon while passing near the cemetery on lower Hudson street.

The four men walked right into a nest of snakes, and had no alternative but to fight, and before the desperate contest which followed was over they had beaten to death fifty of the wriggling creatures, some of which were six feet long. Many of the reptiles escaped.

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MORE ARRESTS IN THE BUILDING CASE.

Coroner Fitzpatrick Takes a Hand and Five Are in the Law's Hands.

Three Inspectors Suspended, Too, Pending the Result of the Investigation.

Superintendent Constable Says the Inspectors Had More Work Than They Could Do.

MORE FAULTY WORK IS SHOWN UP.

Assistant District-Attorney McIntyre Says Whoever Is to Blame Will Be Prosecuted—Why Others Have Gone Free.

The investigation into the causes of the collapse of the building at No. 1078 Madison avenue, on Saturday afternoon, by which the man Crane was killed and several seriously injured, was begun by Coroner Fitzpatrick yesterday, and he announced that it will go on until the responsibility is fixed.

Patrick Roche, of the firm of Shannon & Roche, who was arrested on Sunday, was arraigned before the Coroner early in the afternoon, and held in \$2,500 bail to await the result of the inquest. Should any other victim die the amount will be raised. Bail was furnished by William Johnson, of No. 71 East Eighty-seventh street, a brother-in-law of Architect Thomas Graham, in whose custody Roche had been paroled.

"There will be no further arrests until after the investigation," said Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Davis. But the Coroner not only ordered the arrest of Shannon, Roche's partner, but also of the mem-

bers of the firm of D'Andre Brothers, who built the foundation walls, and of Frank H. Hawkins, the agent of the building. He also directed that the three building inspectors, John Thain, T. C. Walsh and George Vix, who have been charged with negligence and who are all under suspension, come to his office to-day, prepared to furnish \$1,000 each for their appearance. Mrs. L. V. Rogers, the owner, is deemed in no way responsible.

Roche said he felt confident of the result, as the fault lay altogether with the builders of the foundation. He admitted that the construction was extremely flimsy and careless. The walls were not properly bonded, and many of the fallen bricks were perfectly clean, showing that an insufficient quantity of mortar was used. The cement on the foundation stones had no hold on them, and was of bad quality. Much of the faulty construction was of a kind that should readily have been detected by a careful inspector.

May Be Other Bad Cases.

When asked if he did not believe it possible that many other buildings in the city were of equally faulty construction and in danger of collapse, he admitted that he considered it very possible.

"But," he added, "each inspector of our department has had an average of twenty buildings to attend to, and the task has been too great. Thain, who was in charge of the collapsed building the last few weeks, had fifty buildings to see to."

Superintendent Constable was very outspoken. He referred to a letter which he had written to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment a few days ago, in which he laid great stress on the rapid increase of building, and asked that he be given more money to secure adequate inspection.

"The responsibility must rest heavily on those who have prevented the removal of the necessary force," he said. "Accidents like this can be prevented, but it cannot be done with an inadequate force."

He admitted, however, that in this case the faults of construction were open and glaring, and that Inspector Thain had been at the collapsed building on the day of the accident. It is a fact, too, that the Building Department has a larger appropriation this year than it has in any other year, and that an additional sum was granted in response to the Superintendent's request.

"But isn't it an odd coincidence," said the Superintendent, "that the same consulting architect, Graham, and the same lawyer, Neuberg, should be brought into this case, as in the case of Lennon and the Orchard street collapse? And weren't they brought into the Ireland collapse case, also?"

Late in the afternoon Coroner Fitzpatrick went to the building and examined it carefully. An excavation had been made, eight feet deep, beside the foundation wall, and he found that the ground at the foot of the wall was very soft. A pond once stood there, and the ground is all made land, re-

quiring deep foundations and careful construction. The foundation walls, which were not over ten feet deep, were shown distinct culpability, it was held, to prosecute the owner or and the builders, on a charge of slaughter in the second degree, the result being from one to fifteen years' imprisonment.

When asked why former indictment came to naught, when men were charged with manslaughter in similar cases, I learned that the District Attorney's had done its utmost for conviction; Buddenick had been convicted, and more recently, Lennon escaped only cause of the disagreement of the jury, said that the Grand Jury had refused indict Ireland.

Assistant District-Attorney Unger said that the Ireland case would come up at time next month.

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